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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Olivia  
4 Kresach, who passed away on April 19, 2014; and

5 WHEREAS, Olivia Kresach was born on May 17, 1991; she was  
6 the daughter of Dan and Meg Kresach; and

7 WHEREAS, Olivia Kresach graduated from Lincoln-Way East  
8 High School in 2009; she was a lifelong dancer and a member of  
9 Willow Street Dance Company in Mokena; she was also a diver and  
10 an avid downhill skier in high school; and

11 WHEREAS, While at the University of Illinois at Chicago,  
12 Olivia Kresach took up yoga and became an instructor; she was  
13 also studying to become a registered dietician when she was  
14 diagnosed with glioblastoma, a highly aggressive and malignant  
15 type of brain tumor that ultimately took her life; and

16 WHEREAS, Olivia Kresach is missed by all who knew her; she  
17 had a contagious laugh and was always seen smiling; and

18 WHEREAS, After Olivia Kresach passed away on April 19,  
19 2014, her parents, Dan and Meg, dedicated their lives to  
20 defeating not only glioblastoma, the killer disease that took

1 their daughter and only child, but all kinds of brain cancer;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Dan and Meg have joined forces with the national  
4 organization Voices Against Brain Cancer, an organization  
5 dedicated solely to seeking cures for the toughest types of  
6 brain cancer; and

7 WHEREAS, Dan, Meg, and the Voices Against Brain Cancer  
8 organization are working together to advance scientific  
9 research, increase awareness within the medical community, and  
10 support the patients, families, and caregivers affected by this  
11 devastating disease; and

12 WHEREAS, The members of this body commend the State of  
13 Louisiana for the passage of House Concurrent Resolution 38,  
14 which established May 9 as Louisiana Gray Day to further  
15 progress brain cancer awareness; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
17 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
18 we, along with her family and friends, mourn the passing of  
19 Olivia Kresach; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That, in recognition of the work of Voices  
21 Against Brain Cancer and the continued need to recognize and

1 bring awareness to brain cancer, we designate May 9, 2016 as  
2 Gray Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

3       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
4 delivered to the family of Olivia Kresach as an expression of  
5 our sympathy.